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Khaled turns valve today More water for Riyadh

By a Staff Writer

RIYADH, June 19 — King Khaled Saturday turned a valve to release extra 40,000 cubic meters of fresh water into Riyadh from the Kingdom's SR1.65 billion Wasia project 116 kms east of the capital.

Princes, ministers and officials will see King Khaled dedicate what is described as the biggest water project in Saudi Arabia. The capacity of the project will eventually rise to 200,000 cubic meters within six months.

About 62 artesian wells feed the Wasia project, some of which are 500 meters deep, and water is carried by pipelines to the city. Agriculture and Water Minister Dr. Abdul Rahman al Sheikh said the King's patronage of the project was a great honor and incentive to the ministry and to all those who were engaged in the construction.

"The King has shown special interest in water projects," he said. He had dedicated the Medina project, the third phase of the Jeddah desalination plant and laid the foundation stone for the Jubail installations.

Deputy Minister Abdullah al Mused said the Wasia project consists of 116 kilometers of pipelines with diameters between 100 and 600 mm. It has a water gathering station of two tanks, one on the ground and the other underground. It also has a tank at 2 purification plant with a capacity for 25,000 cubic meters and another at about 25 kilometers from the capital with a capacity of 2,500 cubic meters in addition to other installations.

Apart from its own power generating plant the project includes a small township for the staff of 248 villas and 186 flats built in the style of Islamic architecture for both married and unmarried personnel. It also has a boys' and girls' schools, a guest house, a mosque, a clinic and a central market.

The first phase, which became operational earlier this month, produces 40,000 cubic meters and will rise to 200,000 cubic meters by the beginning of next year. The plant has a reserve capacity for another 30 to 50 percent of the targeted figure.

The Jubail project will start supplying the eastern region with water in September next year at the rate of 30 million gallons in the first phase, and 300 megawatts of power a day. A year later it will generate enough water and power to supply the capital, 464 kilometers away, with most of its water and electricity requirements. The second phase will produce 200 million gallons and 1,000 megawatts of electricity for the city.

The contract was signed last year by Dr. al Sheikh for \$910 million and it was designed to supply the capital with water until the turn of the century. It was won by a consortium led by the West German Mannesmann-Anlagenbau together with Spie Capog of France, NACAP of Holland and Williams Engineering of the United States.

OPEC gets clear picture

GENEVA, June 19 (R) — Sheikh Ahmed Zaki Yamani said Thursday night he felt OPEC had a better understanding of the world oil situation after a two-day meeting of its long-term strategy committee. The Saudi Arabian oil minister, who chaired the meeting, told reporters this would definitely have an impact on the 13-member organization's future strategy and particularly its pricing formula.

Sheikh Yamani denied rumors that his country might be willing to cut production. Asked if he had expressed such a willingness to the six-nation committee, Sheikh Yamani replied: "I have not said that."

Asked what the meeting had achieved, Sheikh Yamani said: "We achieved a better understanding of the present situation, which will definitely have an impact on our strategy, especially on the pricing formula." He did not elaborate but said the committee would hold another meeting in August.

The minister's informal comments to reporters on leaving the hotel where the two-day meeting took place were the only information on the results of the meeting, which followed a full-scale OPEC ministerial conference here three weeks ago. At that meeting, the 13 member states agreed to freeze their oil prices and the majority of them said they would cut production.

Saudi Arabia, although under pressure from states maintaining high price levels to cut production and raise its price, would not commit itself to production cuts and said it would continue charging \$32 a barrel.

The OPEC conference last month asked the long-term strategy committee under Sheikh Yamani to review the world market situation and report back as soon as possible. The committee's main concern was to review OPEC estimates of its future market share against the background of the current oil glut, reduced demand from industrialized countries and competition from alternative energy sources like coal and nuclear power.

Saudi Arabia has been pushing for a new pricing system which would link oil prices to inflation and Western growth. The original Saudi Arabian formula presented last September would have effectively boosted oil prices by two to three percent a year.



HABIB IN JEDDAH: Special envoy Philip Habib arrived here Friday to continue his shuttle diplomacy to defuse the Syria-Israel tension. Habib was met at the airport by Foreign Ministry protocol chief Salem Sanbul and U.S. embassy officials. Israel radio said Habib was expected to return to Washington after his talks here and not return to the Middle East until after Israel's June 30 elections.

U.S. votes against Israel

Resolution preserves Iraqi rights

UNITED NATIONS, June 19 (AP) — The United States, traditionally Israel's strongest ally, voted in the U.N. Security Council Friday for a resolution that "strongly condemns" Israel's destruction of an Iraqi nuclear research center. The 15-nation council adopted the resolution unanimously.

U.S. Ambassador Jeane J. Kirkpatrick, who held up to vote "yes," had worked out the resolution herself with Iraqi Foreign Minister Saadoun Hammadi. She was the first Council member to speak at the Council's climactic meeting of a week's debate on the June 7 Israeli attack held at Iraq's request.

Others that voted for it were the Soviet Union, China, Britain, France, Ireland, Spain, East Germany, Mexico, Panama, Niger, Tunisia, Uganda, Japan and the Philippines.

The resolution, given number 487 (1484), said Iraq was "entitled to appropriate redress for the destruction" of the research center, urged Israel to place its nuclear facilities under international safeguards against military uses, recognized Iraq's "sovereign right" to peaceful use of nuclear energy and called on Israel to refrain from similar attacks in the future.

The vote represented a rare decision by the United States to support condemnation of an action by Israel. The U.S. joined in a motion to condemn the Israeli raid in 1968 after an Israeli commando raid on Beirut Airport.

Following is the text of the operative part of a draft Security Council resolution which the United States and Iraq developed in private talks Thursday. It is still subject to non-substantive refinement.

The security council:

1. Strongly condemns the military attack by Israel in clear violation of the United Nations Charter and the norms of international conduct;
2. Calls upon Israel to refrain in the future from any such acts or threats thereof;
3. Further considers that the said attack constitutes a serious threat to the entire International Atomic Energy Agency safeguards regime which is the foundation of the nuclear non-proliferation treaty;
4. Fully recognizes the inalienable sovereign right of Iraq, and all other states, especially the developing countries, to establish programs of technological and nuclear development to develop their economy and industry for peaceful purposes in accordance with their present and future needs and consistent with the internationally accepted objectives of preventing nuclear weapons proliferation;
5. Calls upon Israel urgently to place its nuclear facilities under International Atomic Energy Agency safeguards;
6. Considers that Iraq is entitled to appropriate redress for the destruction it has suffered, responsibility for which has been acknowledged by Israel;
7. Requests the secretary general to keep the Security Council regularly informed of the implementation of this resolution.

The Ronald Reagan administration has said the Israeli bombing of Iraq's nuclear reactor has "created profound political turmoil" in the Middle East and disrupted U.S.-Israel relations. State Department counselor Robert C. McFarlane also told the Senate Foreign Relations Committee Thursday that the June 7 Israeli attack was not justified.

Friday, the committee called in nuclear experts to testify on the accuracy of Israel's justification for the raid — its claims that Iraq planned to develop nuclear weapons.

Two Israeli engineers visited the Nuclear Regulatory Commission in Washington in October — the same month that Israel began planning the raid — to obtain information about the damage that would result if 2,000-pound (907 kg) bombs were dropped on a nuclear reactor.

After the one-day visit, an internal NRC staff memorandum said the Israelis asked so many questions about what the bombs would do, rather than how to protect against them, that "it was unclear whether the Israelis were interested in defending their own plants or destroying someone else's." NRC spokesman Frankingram said the agency "had no idea" a raid was being planned.

At Thursday's hearing, McFarlane said the raid "shattered trust and confidence" in the U.S.-Israeli relations and the two countries must think anew "to decide on the base for normalizing our relationships."

"Right now, we have not reached those judgments," he said. "The review should be completed in several weeks," he said, "and President Reagan will then decide whether to release four F-16 jetfighters withheld from Israel because of the raid." But undersecretary of State Walter J. Stoessel, Jr. — in his second day of testimony to Congress on the Israeli attack — said under questioning from the Senate Foreign Relations Committee that he could offer no time frame on when the administration would finish its review of the Israeli attack and whether it would make a yes or no decision on whether Israel did violate the terms of sales agreements for U.S. military weapons.

"We are not concentrating on legalism but on political solutions," Stoessel said in response to a question from Senator John Glenn, (Democrat, Ohio) who expressed concern that the administration was putting the burden on Congress whether to take any punitive action against Israel.

Three days after the raid, Secretary of State Alexander Haig — in a letter to Congress — said that Israel's strike on the Osirak nuclear facility near Baghdad may have constituted a "substantial violation" of the U.S. arms export control act.

This act and the mutual defense assistance agreement, signed by the United States and Israel in 1953, limit the use of American supplied weapons to offensive purposes.

In Geneva France and Italy, both of which have helped Iraq with nuclear research, Friday strongly condemned the Israeli destruction of the Iraqi center. French delegate Francois de La Gorce told the United Nations-backed Geneva Disarmament Committee that the Israeli raid could shake the foundations of international cooperation to halt the spread of nuclear weapons. Antonio Ciarrapico of Italy said his country had always attached great importance to cooperation between states in the peaceful use of nuclear energy and had supplied Iraq with laboratories fully in accord with the provisions of the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty.

Yoshio Okawa of Japan, speaking on behalf of several industrial countries, said such attacks were not only detrimental to peace and security, particularly in the Middle East, but harmed efforts to prevent the further spread of nuclear weapons. Victor Israelyan of the Soviet Union described the raid as a barbarous attack and said the blame



COMPROMISE: U.S. Ambassador Jeane Kirkpatrick (left) and Iraqi Foreign Minister Saadoun Hammadi (right) are shown after their closed-door consultations at the United Nations Thursday when they reached agreement on a Security Council resolution censuring Israel for its raid on the Iraqi nuclear research center without revoking an American veto.

must be shared by the United States, which was giving Israel all possible assistance.

U.S. delegate Charles Flowerree said the Israeli-U.S. mutual defense agreement of 1952 specified that weapons supplied by the United States were to be used solely for internal security and legitimate self-defense. Brazil, Argentina and Morocco all told the committee that in the light of the Israeli raid, (Continued on back page)

New peace plan claimed

KUWAIT, June 19 (AP) — A Kuwait newspaper claimed Friday U.S. President Ronald Reagan has submitted a plan to Arab states proposing a Middle East settlement based on the establishment of a Palestinian state.

The *Al-Watan* newspaper quoted an unidentified senior Arab official in New York for its information. Dubbing the U.S. plan "the Reagan plan" the newspaper, said it made the following proposals:

- Israeli withdrawal from Arab territories occupied since the 1967 Arab-Israeli war.
- The establishment of a united Palestinian state in the Israeli occupied West Bank of the River Jordan and the Gaza Strip, ten years after the conclusion of the agreement, provided that Egypt, Jordan and Israel "pave the way for the setting up of the proposed state."
- The stationing of U.S. troops along Arab-Israeli borders, similar to the peacekeeping force to be stationed along the Israeli-Egyptian border in the Sinai peninsula (under the terms of the U.S.-inspired Camp David Egyptian-Israeli peace agreement.)
- The establishment of a unified Jerusalem, under joint Arab, Israeli and United Nations administration.
- Arab recognition of Israel and the establishment of normal diplomatic and other relations.

Egypt suspends projects with Israel

TEL AVIV, June 19 (AP) — Egypt has called off sports, economic and cultural exchanges with Israel in reaction to the destruction of Iraq's nuclear reactor by Israeli warplanes, the foreign ministry said Thursday.

Delegations of youngsters and athletes were to have been exchanged last week, but Egypt notified Israel it was suspending the arrangements, a military spokesman said. "If they don't want to send delegations for their own reasons, we're sorry about it," he said.

Egypt condemned Israel for destroying the Iraqi nuclear research center June 7 but the exchange cancellations were the first tangible result of Egypt's displeasure over the raid. A bilateral cultural agreement that was to have been ratified by the Egyptian parliament was also sent back to the government, Israel radio reported.

Qaddafi patches up ties with Arabs

BEIRUT, June 19 (AP) — Libyan leader Col. Muammar Qaddafi, in another show of patching up his regime's relations with fellow Arabs, telephoned Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to declare his support in combating Israeli aggression, Libya's state-controlled news agency JANA reported Friday.

Qaddafi, who declared his support for Iran in its war against Iraq, has long been a critic of President Hussein. The telephone call, which JANA said was made Thursday, was viewed as an attempt by the Libyan leader to improve relations between the two countries.

In the recent days, the Libyan strongman

Passenger pilots airplane to safety

LONDON, June 19 (AP) — Business executive Richard Carlson averted almost certain disaster Thursday night by taking the controls of a single-engine plane after the pilot collapsed, and landing it safely at an airfield north of London.

It was the first time the 25-year-old Briton had ever flown a plane. He was talked down by an air traffic controller at Elstree airfield with some help from the pilot — his boss, Max Coote, 54 — who had recovered consciousness.

Coote was rushed by ambulance to a nearby hospital, where he underwent major surgery for suspected rupture of a main heart artery.

The drama began shortly after Coote took off in his Cessna Centurion from Elstree with Carlson to put in some flying time. They were at about 1,000 feet (304 m) altitude when Coote suddenly told Carlson to take the controls and collapsed unconscious. "I literally slapped myself round the face," Carlson told reporters. "I told myself I knew what to do. I'm not a qualified pilot and I've never taken the controls of an aircraft, but over the last year I've put in about 70 passenger hours with Mr. Coote."

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Wedlock holds the key to freedom

TEHRAN, June 19 (R) — The brides, an assortment of drunks and other condemned criminals, wore pink with white headscarves, and some of them cried. The bridegrooms, mainly thieves, robbers, and drug dealers, beamed as they were married Thursday at Tehran's Qasr penitentiary.

Prison authorities had matched up 17 inmate couples. About 250 other inmates, prison officials, and guests — including relatives of the couples — looked on as two mul-lahs performed.

Abolqassem Sarhaddi-Zadeh, a prisons official who himself spent 16 years in jail during the reign of the deposed Shah, said all prisoners who married other prisoners would be released.

Upon taking their vows, four of the brides had their orders of release signed by the head of the court for the struggle against corrup-

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Kingdom, Japan officials to discuss cooperation

By a Staff Writer

JEDDAH, June 19 — Saudi Arabian and Japanese ministers will discuss economic and technical cooperation at a meeting to be held here Sunday within the framework of their joint committee.

The Japanese delegation will be led by Rokuske Tanaka, minister of international trade and industry who is at present touring West Europe with Prime Minister Zenko Suzuki. Japanese sources said that Tanaka was expected to offer enhanced technical assistance to the Kingdom's government specially in desalination and petrochemical projects.

The joint committee was established under an agreement on economic and technical cooperation in 1975. Since then, Saudi Arabia has become a major supplier of oil to Japan providing it with nearly one third of its imports in the last financial year.

Last May a Japanese investment company for the promotion of a large Saudi Arabian-Japanese petrochemical complex in the Eastern Region was formed under the leadership of the Mitsubishi Corporation. Called the Saudi Petrochemical Development Company (SPDC) it signed an agreement on the petrochemical projects with the state-owned Saudi Basic Industries Corporation (SABIC). The Japanese government will also invest in the scheme which will be located in

Jubail and is expected to produce various petrochemicals equivalent to 280,000 tons of ethylene a year.

Total investments in the project are estimated at about 330,000 million yens about (\$1.534 billion) of which 30 percent will be provided by SABIC and SPDC on an equal basis and the remaining \$1.083 billion to be covered by loans from financial institutions in Saudi Arabia and Europe, according to the Kyodo News Service of Japan.

The Japanese corporation has 54 companies including 15 from the Mitsubishi group with others belonging to Mitsui, Sumitomo and other oil companies. Keizaburo Yamanda, vice-president of the Mitsubishi Shoji, which represents the entire Mitsubishi empire, was elected for the presidency of SPDC.

During a visit to Japan last March Commerce Minister Dr. Soliman Solaim invited Japanese businessmen and industrialists to take part with Saudi Arabian counterparts in setting up joint ventures in the Kingdom.

Solaim who was a guest of Tanaka told a group of businessmen that Saudi Arabia welcomed their investments in agriculture, food processing and distribution and other services of small and medium nature. He said that the theme of his visit was to encourage the participation of Japanese industry in the industrial development of the Kingdom and not to keep the emphasis of the relationship



Rokuske Tanaka on exports and imports.

Meanwhile, the British Minister of Foreign Trade Cecil Parkinson returned to London after a five-day business visit to the Kingdom. He said he will be reporting to the government on his talks with the Saudi Arabian ministers and major spending organizations and will discuss new UK trade prospects in the Kingdom.

On his arrival here last Friday he said he aimed at reinforcing the already excellent relations between the two countries.

Qatif social center reviews services

QATIF, June 19 (SPA) — The Qatif Social Services Center issued its annual report for 1980-81 Friday in which it outlined its services and programs during the year.

The center, in cooperation with Qatif Welfare Society, carried out regular financial assistance and programs about health, emergency, Ramadan, marriage, ideal kitchen, winter, summer, students' assistance, house rents, traffic accidents, vocational training for the handicapped, Eid, elimination of illiteracy among women, house renovations, mosque repairs and kindergarten programs at a cost of SR1.34 million. These services covered 1,507 individual beneficiaries, the report said.

The center's Social Men's Division also carried out programs that included a family integration service project, social guidance, a visits and trips program, looking after talented camps, cultural contests and kindergartens. These programs were allocated SR1.66 million and served 6,179 persons, the report said.

In sports activities, the center's services extended to five sports clubs in the Qatif Region. The clubs of Bahari, Tobi, Rabee, Azhar

and Kawakeb with 1,268 members were provided with sports, cultural and social services by the center. These activities which cost SR103,764 included organizing 301 sports matches.

The report added that the center's services extended to studying 19 cases of handicapped persons. The results were submitted to the Dammam Vocational Training Institute for the Handicapped.

On the Social Women's Division activities, the report said, the center organized several education and training sessions. They included 790 periods on academic subjects, 48 cooking lessons, 48 training sessions on dress-making, 24 on handicraft and 60 on guidance. The center's social experts made 380 house calls on 1,800 persons, 42 visits to schools benefiting 870 students and numerous calls on clinics, kindergartens and exhibitions.

The women's guidance program also included organizing seminars and lectures which were attended by 650 women, in addition to exploratory travels, congregations, and issuing bulletins and posters in various interests.

The report stated that the women's division organized a children's day, Arabic typing courses, domestic science sessions, the ideal mother program, a self-supporting program for the elimination of illiteracy and improving kindergartens.

Mexican envoy named

JEDDAH, June 19 — Francisco Gonzalez de Cossio, a career diplomat, has been appointed as ambassador of Mexico to the Kingdom, a statement by the Mexican embassy received here Friday said. Cossio will be the first resident ambassador of his country in Saudi Arabia since the two countries established diplomatic relations. He is expected to arrive here shortly, the statement said.

Gonzalez de Cossio, who obtained his M.A. in administration from Cornell University of New York, held several high-ranking posts in the ministry of external relations after serving as a councillor at the Mexican United Nations mission in New York for three years.

Officials seeking better transport to new airport

By a Staff Writer

JEDDAH, June 19 (SPA) — Officials of Jeddah Traffic Department and the Saudi Arabian Public Transport Company (SAPTCO) are continuing their efforts to reach a regular and efficient transport means at reasonable prices between Jeddah's new King Abdul Aziz Airport and the city.

Passengers going to the airport have three alternatives to their destination, so far. They can call up a Saudi Limousine Service car at home, board a SAPTCO bus or the special "airport service" taxis. Capt. Abdullah Raqab, controller of traffic at the Jeddah Traffic Department, told Saudi Business that while SAPTCO buses charge SR10, cabs SR30 which increases to SR50 after midnight, the limousine service rates depend on the distance covered.

Capt. Raqab said the limousine service between the airport and various points in Jeddah start at SR35 up to Makarona Street and Palestine Square; SR45 up to Bay'ah Square (Foreign Ministry) and downtown; SR55 up to Mina Road, Hindawiyah and Bab Sharif; SR60 up to University Road, Madain Fahd and Kile seven on Makkah Road; and SR70 up to Umm Al-Salam on Makkah Road and further suburban areas. Taxi fares will be SR30 from the airport to anywhere in Jeddah before midnight. After midnight, the fare rises to SR50.

Customers of Saudi Limousine service may have to pay 50 percent of the return fare since the cab may have to return empty. Ibrahim Khonkar, general manager, was quoted as saying. Giving an example, Khonkar said, that a passenger engaging the vehicle from Makarona Street will have to pay SR52.50 — SR35 being the fare for the one-way trip and the balance being 50 percent of the return fare.

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Maghreb (Sunset)	7.06	7.14	6.45	6.36	7.00	7.35
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German officials here to review double tax

By a Staff Writer

JEDDAH, June 19 — Saudi Arabian and West German delegations open talks in Riyadh Saturday on eliminating double taxation. Charge d'Affaires Dr. Osterloh Klaus said here Friday.

Under the projected agreement nationals of the two countries would pay taxes to the country they work in, whereas at present they are taxed by both governments. Dr. Klaus said the objective of the talks was to reach an agreement to relieve nationals and also encourage closer economic and commercial relations between Saudi Arabia and the Federal Republic of Germany.

He said that Germany's Parliamentary State Secretary for Finance Rolf Boehme, who arrived here Thursday night, will pay a courtesy call on Finance and National Economy Minister Muhammad Aba Al Khalil. Dr. Klaus added that Boehme will later begin talks with Deputy Finance Minister

Dr. Saleh Al-Omeir. Boehme will leave Riyadh for home Sunday, but talks between the two sides will continue at expert level, he said.

Dr. Klaus said there are about 15,000 expatriates, including families, working in Saudi Arabia and about 250 German companies also operate in the Kingdom. The German companies landed contracts over SR24 billion (\$7 billion) since 1973. Saudi Arabian-German joint ventures total 83 with SR3 billion (about \$900 million), according to recent official statistics.

The two countries' two-way trade also rose from DM7.5 billion in 1976 to DM14.2 billion last year — an increase of 89.3 per cent in a five-year period, the statistics showed.

Oil accounted for 98.2 per cent of the total German imports from Saudi Arabia while heavy machinery motor vehicles and spare parts accounted for 23.3 per cent of the total German exports to the Kingdom in 1980.



MEETING: Riyadh Governor Prince Salman chaired the Government Palace Development Project Committee in Riyadh Thursday. The meeting, held at the committee's headquarters, was attended by all members. Prince Salman is seen at the head of the table, and Deputy Riyadh Governor Prince Sattam, third from right.

Executive training session planned

By a Staff Writer

JEDDAH, June 19 — A seminar for top Saudi Arabian business executives is scheduled to be held in Taif later this year. It will be organized by Sheikh Abdullah Al-Tariki, the former minister of petroleum and minerals, according to Saudi Business Saturday.

The magazine said the seminar will be led by three faculty members from the Harvard Business School each with experience of summer schools in Switzerland for businessmen. It is being arranged by the management consultants, Archer, Smith and Associates. They are forming an equal joint venture with Tariki, which is expected to be called Arabian Farmers offered land

JEDDAH, June 19 — The Agriculture and Water Ministry will distribute undeveloped land to those wishing and capable of farming them in various parts of the country including Asir, Washm, Dharm, Quwaiya, Dawadimi, Hail and Qasim.

According to Okaz Friday the order was given by King Khaled to encourage the farmers to develop what is now fallow land and the ministry has invited interested people to apply for ownership rights. The ministry already offers loans and subsidies to farmers wishing to increase the land under cultivation, buy machinery or invest in new equipment and techniques.

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GCC talks held in Bahrain

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MANAMA, June 19 — The Deputy Ruler of Bahrain Sheikh Hamad bin Issa Al Khalifah discussed matters relating to the recently formed Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) with its secretary general, Abdullah Yacoub Bisharah who arrived here Friday.

Bisharah said he reviewed with Sheikh Hamad the formation of the permanent secretariat of the GCC and the need to employ as many GCC citizens in it as possible.

Bisharah, who was Kuwait's permanent representative at the U.N. was elected last month during the GCC's first summit conference in Abu Dhabi. He had been proposed by Kuwait.

The secretariat will be built in Riyadh on a site donated by the government which is one of the six founding members. The others are Kuwait, Bahrain, the UAE, Qatar and Oman. The articles of association announced last month stressed the standardization of laws and regulations and the strengthening of relations among the member states in all

At a meeting held in Riyadh earlier this month the finance and economy ministers agreed to unify their economic relations within the framework of one general agreement replacing all the bilateral ones which determined economic cooperation. The agreement will be submitted to the forthcoming meeting of GCC foreign ministers who will in turn, submit to the next summit due to be held in Riyadh this year. Summits are to be held every six months and may be held earlier if the need arises.

PTT sends graduates

JEDDAH, June 19 — The Ministry of Post, Telegraph and Telephones has decided to send graduates of its training center on foreign scholarships for advanced study in telecommunications.

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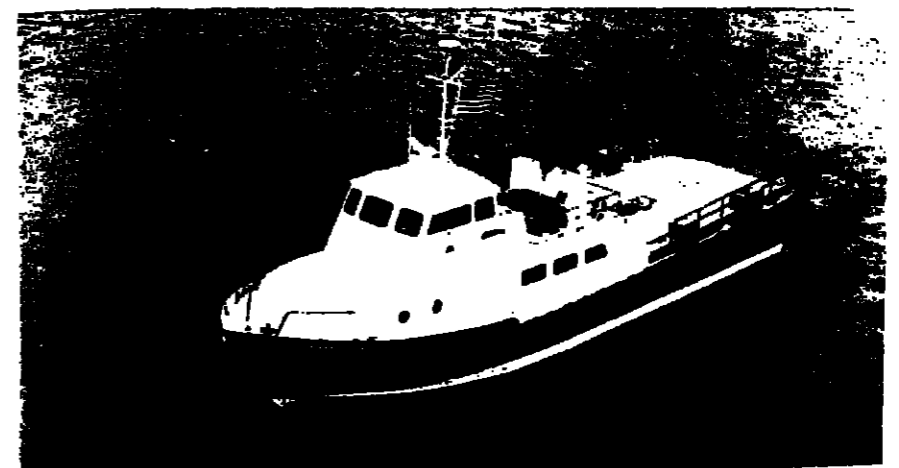
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Afghans blast giant Russian arms depot

By Shahid Orakzai
Arab News Correspondent
PESHAWAR, June 19—Three Afghan soldiers who blasted the biggest ammunition depot of the Afghan airforce June 8 last have lived in this city after deserting their ranks. About 27 magazines and igloos (ammunition store houses) were blown up in the operation causing a damage of over \$50 million, unprecedented in a single operation during the three-years of insurgency in the country. The three ex-soldiers, now Mujahids, were personally welcomed by Afghan leader Prof. Abdur Rasool Sayyaf when they arrived here Wednesday escorted by the fighters of the Islamic Alliance for the Liberation of Afghanistan. Sayed Ahmad, Saad-Ud-Din and Abdur Rahman told Arab News that they had contacted a fighters' commander, Anwar Jan, on after they were posted as guards on the ammunition establishment a few weeks ago. They said that they made themselves familiar with ammunition depot spread over

about 50 acres and located some 30 kms east of Kabul near Koh-e-Safi (mountain range). Disclosing the details of their operation, they said, that they had used explosives and petrol for setting ablaze the depot and the simultaneous ignition at different points spread panic in the area and the Afghan and Soviet guards ran for their lives instead of controlling the fire. Flames and blasts, especially in the igloos where air-to-ground rockets used by MiG-fighters and helicopter gunships were stored, played havoc with the entire area, they said. The deserting soldiers said that the depot also had substantive quantity of gas bombs which added to the panic among the Soviets. They claimed that the Afghan Air Force was almost in a state of paralysis due to the heavy damage to its ammunition depot but clarified a Western agency report about the attack on the Bagram airbase saying that there was no attack on the base itself but the blowing up of the depot might have caused an alarm at the base, 30 kms from the destroyed depot.

OAU ministers want sanctions against Israel

NAIROBI, June 19 (AFP) — African foreign ministers called for sanctions against Israel Thursday in a debate on Palestine at the Organization of African Unity (OAU) Ministerial Council meeting here, OAU spokesman Peter Onu said. Most delegates at the closed session here expressed concern over the continued supply of U.S. arms to Israel and condemned the June 7 Israeli bombing raid against Iraqi nuclear installations, Onu added. The ministers are preparing for next week's OAU summit of heads of state and government, which runs from Wednesday to Saturday.

A Western diplomat specializing on African affairs said: "I've covered a lot of OAU meetings but I've never heard such explicit criticism of the U.S. The Reagan administration ranks on a par with the devil here."

Israel silent on scientists' visit to U.S.

TEL AVIV, June 19 (AP) — Officials at the Technion-Israel Institute of Technology declined comment Friday on a report that two institute scientists visited the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission last October to inquire about the effect of 2,000-pound bombs hitting a nuclear reactor. "I honestly don't know," spokesman Ben-Ami Einav told the AP.

An NRC official in Washington said the Israeli scientists wanted information on what would happen to reactor buildings hit by one-ton bombs. But Israel's embassy in Washington denied that the visit was connected with the bombing of Iraq's nuclear reactor June 7 and said their inquiries were linked to Israeli plans to purchase a reactor from the U.S.

India wants wall on Bangladesh border

NEW DELHI, June 19 (AFP) — India has proposed building a masonry wall along the 1,750 km length of Bangladesh's border with the northeast Indian state of Assam, press reports have said. Bangladeshi officials have reacted positively to the proposal, aimed at checking

infiltration by illegal immigrants, and formal agreement could soon be reached, *The Hindu* newspaper reported. The two neighbors have a 4,000-km common border.

"India has proposed that both the countries should erect high barbed wire fences about 10 feet from the line marking the international border," the paper said. It added: "This would be reinforced by an electrified fence on the border itself to make it impossible for an infiltrator to cross over without risking his life."

"The proposal also envisages the construction of a high masonry wall along the border besides the strengthening the border security arrangements."

Bani-Sadr said to be in Iran

TEHRAN, June 19 (AFP) — President Abolhassan Bani-Sadr, who has mysteriously dropped out of sight prior to the parliamentary debate Saturday on his impeachment, is still in Iran, one of his collaborators told AFP Friday. The supporter, who did not want his name released, declined to indicate the president's whereabouts.

Bani-Sadr's sudden disappearance sparked charges by Tehran revolutionary prosecutor Hassan Lajevardi that the resident may have fled the country or one into hiding. Bani-Sadr left his official residence last Friday amid snowballing criticism of his presidency. Officials acknowledged that they haven't got a clue where Bani-Sadr has been since mid-February Tuesday. "We don't know if Bani-Sadr wishes to travel (and) we hope we will do it legally," Lajevardi said.

BRIEFS

ANKARA, Turkish military has rounded up 244 suspected terrorists in a series of operations throughout the country and seized thousands of weapons, including Soviet-made missiles, the semi-official Anatolia News Agency reported Thursday.

TUNIS, (AFP) — Tunisia will hold legislative elections ahead of schedule Nov. 1, President Habib Bourguiba decided at Thursday's weekly cabinet meeting here. Officials said the poll would be staged to pick a new parliament as part of the democratization of the country's political life announced by the president at a special ruling party congress in April, when he said that Tunisia could now move to a multi-party system. TEL AVIV, (AFP) — One Fijian soldier

was wounded and four others were missing following a clash in southern Lebanon Friday between Fijian troops from the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL) and members of the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO). A spokesman for UNIFIL said.

THE HAGUE, (AP) — The Dutch government is considering a request to grant asylum to ten Pakistani opposition leaders freed from prison in exchange for the release of hijacked airline passengers, officials said Thursday.

GENEVA, (R) — United Nations special envoy Olof Palme left Friday for Tehran to mediate in the Gulf war between Iran and Iraq.

2 killed, 31 hurt in Egypt's communal clash

CAIRO, June 19 (AP) — Muslims trying to build a mosque on land designated for a church clashed with Christians in a gun-shooting, rock-throwing melee, an eyewitness said. Two persons were killed and 31 injured in the fighting that ended early Thursday, an interior ministry statement said.

The statement, which made no reference to the building dispute, said 42 persons were arrested and four handguns confiscated. Both

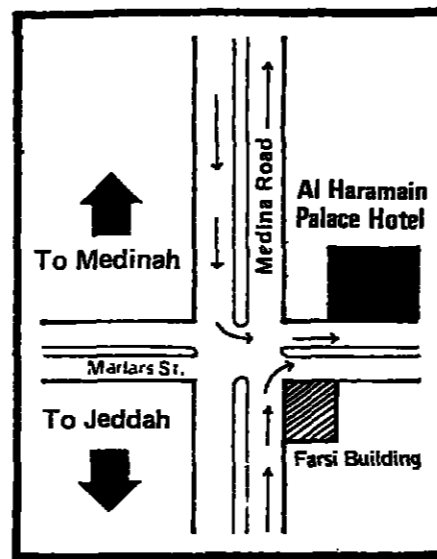
the eyewitness and the ministry's statement reported arson and widespread looting. The witness said at least 40 police trucks loaded with riot police were rushed in soon after the clash began about 8 p.m. (1800 GMT) in the low-income neighborhood of Sharabiya.

The ministry statement, broadcast on Egyptian television, said the incident began as a quarrel between two neighbors, but "outsiders interfered" and the fight spread

throughout the neighborhood, with people throwing rocks and others shooting handguns. "Rumors of fatalities aroused more people and expanded the conflict," it said.

The eyewitness said the trouble began when extremists in the area found out that the Coptic community there had obtained a license to build a church on a vacant lot. The witness said the Muslims managed last Tuesday to obtain a permit of their own to build a mosque on the lot.

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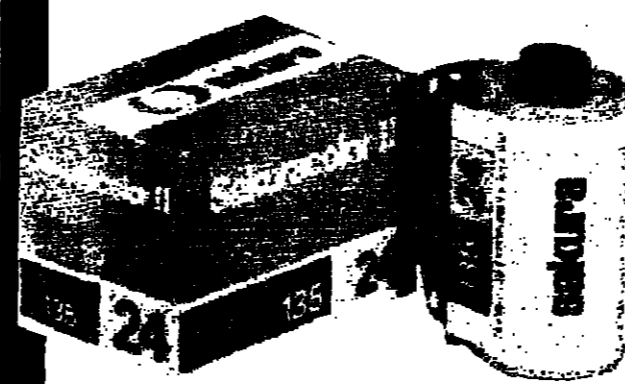
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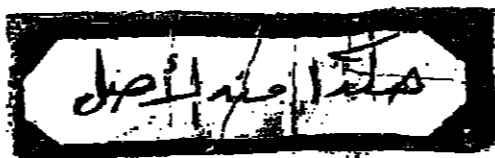


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France denies arms to Pretoria regime

PARIS, June 19 (AP) — French Foreign Minister Claude Cheysson has announced his country will sell no military supplies to South Africa. "Not a single shell, not one cartridge, not a military-related screwdriver, not bolt — nothing military or military-related will be sold to South Africa. That's categorical," said Cheysson, who took the top foreign policy post after the election last month of Socialist

President Francois Mitterrand. He made his comments during a question-and-answer session at a press luncheon Thursday. During a recent international meeting in Paris on apartheid — the South African white-minority government's strict system of racial separation — Cheysson told the delegates France now stood ready to battle the Pretoria regime in the United Nations.

Under the center-right government of Mitterrand's predecessor, Valery Giscard d'Estaing, France was one of the three countries which vetoed a U.N. Security Council resolution earlier this year calling for a broad economic boycott against South Africa. The other countries casting vetoes were Britain and the United States.

Trade between France and South Africa expanded significantly under Giscard d'Estaing. The French observed U.N. sanctions against selling offensive weapons to Pretoria, but the French did supply some defensive weaponry and military-related hardware such as transport planes and communications equipment.

Cheysson's comments were seen here as a strong sign that the flow of such supplies from France would cease. The foreign minister, in response to a question, said France would continue to harbor Spanish Basques who were legitimate refugees just as it continues to give a safe haven to tens of thousands of other political refugees.

Relations between Spain and France have become strained because of apparent French reluctance to extradite Spanish Basques accused of terrorism in their homeland. Spanish authorities claim France continues to harbor the Spanish Basques because it is attempting to keep peace with French Basques who live along the Spanish border.

Several French Basque organizations claim they want to unite with Spanish Basques in an independent homeland.

Charles leaves New York, ignores IRA sympathizers

NEW YORK, June 19 (R) — Prince Charles has bid farewell to New York after a visit during which he was dogged by noisy IRA supporters and had his private thoughts on Ireland trumpeted to the world by the city's talkative mayor.

The prince diplomatically made no comment on what he thought of his first visit to America's biggest city as a phalanx of police and Secret Service men saw him safely off Thursday aboard the Concorde. In fact, he made no comment at all.

But it seemed doubtful he would subscribe to the official "I love New York" slogan after an evening at the Metropolitan Opera House in which the royal ballet competed with screaming supporters of the Irish Republican Army (IRA) for the audience's attention.

Amid cries of "shoot them" and "shoot up" to a black-tie audience, four demonstrators were dragged kicking and shouting up the aisle of the Opera House's glittering auditorium. Thousands of IRA sympathizers massed outside the Lincoln Center on Broadway shouting anti-British slogans and throwing a few eggs at police on horseback.

Throughout the commotion, the prince sat silent and poker-faced beside first lady Nancy Reagan in the balcony above the fray as shouts of "there's blood on your hands" and "I'm from the IRA" echoed through the city's most elegant public building.

At one point it seemed to some in the audience that the protests brought a halt to the performance but conductor Ashley Lawrence insisted no such break took place. He said the orchestra never missed a note and the dancers, though nervous over the shouts that interrupted their intense concentration, never missed a step.

The prince also showed no sign of noticing the demonstration outside as he sat on an open-air balcony before the performance. Nor was there any word from him of what he thought of Mayor Ed Koch's relating to reporters the royal views on the sensitive Northern Ireland issue.

The mayor lunched on lobster and ducking with the prince aboard millionaire Malcolm Forbes' yacht *Highlander* and then went ashore to "spill the beans" on what the prince told him.

BRIEFS

LONDON, (AFP) — A 1935 etching by Picasso, *Single Combat with Bull* fetched \$160,000 at Christie's auction rooms here Thursday. The buyer was identified as a Spanish foundation.

JOHANNESBURG, (R) — American actress and civil rights activist Jane Fonda and her husband Tom Hayden were barred Thursday night from entering South Africa for the second time this week. But the couple issued a press statement saying they were outraged at the five-year "banning" of a white student leader, Sammy Adelman, who invited them.

HONG KONG, (AFP) — Chinese Communist Party Chairman Hua Guofeng is refusing to step down and accept responsibility for his "leftist errors", a new Hong Kong newspaper has reported in its inaugural edition. The Chinese-language *Cheng Ming* daily said the Chinese leadership might drop its plan to give Hua the face-saving post of vice chairman when he is replaced shortly.

NEW DELHI, (AP) — Authorities lifted daytime curfew in a riot-torn sector of the western Indian city of Ahmedabad Thursday after calm returned to the area, the United News of India agency reported.

BRIDGETOWN, Barbados (AP) — Moderate Prime Minister J.M.G.M. "Tom" Adams and his Barbados Labor Party won re-election to power, but gained a smaller majority in parliamentary elections Thursday. Although it won less than 52 percent of the vote, Adams' party retained a parliamentary majority with a 17-10 margin.

Columbia to carry sensing devices

CAPE CANAVERAL, Florida, June 19 (AP) — U.S. space agency officials have unveiled a seven-part payload that will be aboard the second space shuttle flight this fall to search for valuable minerals on Earth, the environment, hunt for ocean pollution and analyze severe weather.

Columbia's five-day mission, which is to begin as early as Sept. 30, also will be the first to carry a huge remote-control manipulator arm to deploy and retrieve satellites and other materials in space. The 15-meter-long device, which works much like a human arm, was exhibited during a special news briefing Thursday at the Kennedy Space Center.

The shuttle's seven experiments are designed to demonstrate its research

capabilities, said NASA's John Neilson said. The instruments that will be facing the Earth will be sensing devices that can measure ocean currents, ocean conditions and other physical phenomena.

The manipulator system was developed by NASA's Marshall Space Flight Center and cost about \$100 million. It is the largest piece of hardware in the shuttle's space program. The program is the result of a joint effort between the two countries under a cost-sharing agreement that calls for NASA to buy the next three arms at a total cost of some \$65 million.

The most important experiment in the shuttle program will be one which will send a satellite into orbit to create map-like images of the Earth's surface. These will be used to provide geographic information helpful in planning natural resources.

Missile officer charged in U.S.

WASHINGTON, June 19 (R) — A U.S. missile officer accused of visiting the Soviet Embassy has been charged with giving secret information to the Russians, an Air Force spokesman said Thursday night.

The spokesman said the Air Force had charged 2nd Lt. Christopher Cooke with revealing defense information "to a person or persons not authorized access to such information" on five separate occasions. Cooke had previously been charged with failing to report to his superiors that he visited the Soviet Embassy in Washington three times before his arrest on May 28.

The Air Force spokesman said each of the five charges carried a maximum sentence of 10 years jail with hard labor, forfeiture of all pay and allowances and dismissal from service.

Cooke was also charged with 10 additional counts of having contacts with the Soviet Embassy, none of which he reported as required by Air Force regulations, the spokesman said. The Justice Department has said it is investigating independently the possibility of bringing espionage charges against Cooke.

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By Aysel Unlut

Turkey is a nearby, yet different vacation choice which should interest travelers from Saudi Arabia. It has something to offer everyone, from the vacationer with only a few days, to visits of longer duration.

Turkey offers a diverse scenery, climate and historic monuments. It is a land of historical contrasts situated to the eastern Mediterranean and bounded by six bodies of water. Most of the Turkish shores are densely wooded and marked by numerous small towns and villages.

The Anatolia, the Asian portion of Turkey,

is separated from the European side by the Bosphorus Strait, the Sea of Marmara, and the Dardanelles Strait, the banks of these waters — one side of which lies in Asia, the other in Europe — rise steeply from the water with successions of cliffs, coves, and nearly landlocked bays. The Aegean coast with its olive trees, the symbol of peace, witnessed the dawn of the Western civilization.

The exciting sites of antiquity can be found here. Contrasting with the tranquility of these ancient sites is the gaiety of seaside resorts. The south-west Aegean is the major destination for tourists. In a setting of breathtaking beauty, pine covered mountains fall sharply

to a heavily indented coast of sandy bays and rocky headlands. The sea at this junction of the Mediterranean and the Aegean is warm, clean, and deep blue.

The shores are covered with the remains of ancient civilization. In central Turkey, remains of a neolithic settlements have been found. The Ottomans established their first principality in 1301 and went on to capture Byzantium in 1453 — under the brilliant leadership of the Fatah (conqueror) Sultan Muhammad, who was barely 21 at the time. In the 16th century, Sultan Suleyman the magnificent was Europe's most powerful monarch, a mosque named after him was built by the great architect Sinan. The Palace of the Ottoman sultans, the Topkapi Palace, lies at the tip of the headland in Istanbul, besides it stands the Mosque of Sultan Ahmet, the "Blue Mosque," with its six tall minarets and blue tiles.

Standing at the gateway to the west in Edirne, dominated by the masterpieces of Ottoman art, is the Suleymaniye Mosque, another masterpiece of great Sinan. Its four great minarets stab the skyline. The curious fluted minaret is in the resort town of Mediterranean, Antalya, which has the finest setting with its waterfalls and sandy coast. In the Anatolia plains in Konya, one of the cradles of civilization where art and learning flourished, one of the great Muslim mystic movements was born. This sect, known as whirling dervishes, was founded by Mevlana Jelaleddin Rumi, a mystic poet who wished to encompass all men in his faith based on love — Love for Allah. This whirling dance, that Mevlana devised as a symbol, and which is accompanied by the reed flute, *NEY*, can

still be seen in December each year, during the Mevlana festival.

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Turkey is a focal point of contrasting climates. Along the coastal regions winters are mild and summers moderately hot. Along the southern coasts the summers are very hot, and winters are mild and rainy. The central plateau is extremely hot in summer with no rain fall, and it is cold in winter with heavy lasting snows. Eastern Turkey is rugged country with higher elevations and a more severe climate.

The lowlands contain about half of the country's agricultural wealth in the broad, cultivated valleys. Cotton, tobacco, figs, sugar beets, olives, grapes, hazel nuts, tea, maize (corn), and various other fruit crops thrive in these valleys. The widely known mulberry tree provides the basis for a long tradition of silk manufacture in the Marmara region.

Turkish cuisine is always a pleasant surprise. Its pure quality stems from the superb freshness of vegetables, meat, fish, and fruit. Centuries of experience added to this creates delicious meals. "Shish Kebab," and other varieties of these meals with lamb, the famous hors-d'oeuvre "dolma," a name applied to vegetables such as peppers, vine leaves and cabbage leaves stuffed with rice, pine nuts and currants, and also the dishes of cold vegetables in olive oil, including the famous "imam bayildi" a eggplant dish stuffed with tomatoes, onions and garlic. Another Turkish specialities is the "borek", pastry stuffed with meat or cheeses. Turkish desserts fall



BLACK SEA: Along the Black Sea coast of Turkey the terrain is hilly and does not at all resemble the Mediterranean side of the country.

into two basic groups: those based on milk and those made from various pastries soaked in syrup.

The great variety of Turkish crafts makes it impossible to resist buying something. Istanbul's covered bazaar has all Turkey's crafts from carpets to copper. Here are the most popular items — jewellery; beaten copper,

and the rainbow colors of oriental carpets; harem rings, brass samovars, hand painted plates; the blouses, shirts, and dresses in the light cotton cloth of Silek pronounced Shile, a small Black Sea town has now conquered the fashion market. Turkey is famous for its fine embroidery, fine leather and studded coats and jackets.

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U.S. records \$3b trade surplus

WASHINGTON, June 19 (AP) — The United States showed a \$3.1 billion first-quarter surplus in its foreign trade balance as measured by the board current account of goods, services and other financial transactions, the U.S. Commerce Department has reported.

The new report, Thursday, also greatly revised last year's current account figures, which now show a \$3.7 billion 1980 surplus rather than the \$118 million reported in March. It was the first year out of the red since the surplus of more than \$4 billion in 1976.

Commerce officials had indicated earlier that the balance would show a big surplus for the first quarter, contributing heavily to the

unexpectedly rapid 8.6 percent annual rate of growth in inflation-adjusted gross national product during the quarter.

The current account figures, which are adjusted for seasonal variations, measure a wide variety of financial transactions, including those involving goods, services, foreign aid, loans to foreigners, the movement of gold and such payments as pensions to Americans who live abroad.

In the first three months of the year, the new commerce report said, "in the merchandise accounts, a large increase in exports, following several quarters of little change, more than offset an increase in imports associated with stepped-up U.S. business activity."

In the services category, the report said,

the U.S. account showed a decline in net income from direct investment by foreigners. However, that was more than offset by "higher interest rates and a sustained high level of U.S. bank lending abroad."

U.S. official reserve assets increased \$4.5 billion in the quarter, partly reflecting purchases of German marks, the report said. Meanwhile, foreign official assets in the United States increased \$5.4 billion "due almost entirely to an increase in OPEC (Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries) holdings."

Overall, the merchandise trade deficit declined to \$4.6 billion from \$5.6 billion in the fourth quarter, the surplus in services receipts fell slightly to \$9.2 billion from \$9.3 billion and the deficit in unilateral transfers — such as non-military foreign aid and pension payments — declined to \$1.5 billion from \$2.3 billion.

The revision for 1980's figures was spread across the year with the new statistics showing big surpluses in the final six months outweighing deficits in the previous two quarters. The fourth-quarter surplus, originally reported at \$687 million is now said to have been \$1.39 billion.

The new report made available an additional set of figures showing that most other major countries had big deficits.

The comparative figures appear in the Commerce department's June issue of *International Economic Indicators*. They show West Germany with a huge \$16 billion deficit in 1980, followed by Japan with \$10.8 billion.

The comparisons limited to trade in hard goods show West Germany with a \$10.7 billion surplus, and Japan with another of \$2 billion.

Italy's current account balance showed a deficit of \$10 billion, a somewhat better record than its deficit of \$14.9 billion in merchandise trade. The same is true of France, which had a \$14.3 billion deficit on goods, but only \$7.9 billion on current account.

Japan seeks EEC-level agreement

BRUSSELS, June 19 (R) — Japan has made clear that it would prefer to negotiate trade agreements with the whole Common Market rather than individual member states, EEC Commission President Gaston Thorn has said.

He told a press conference that Japanese Prime Minister Zenko Suzuki and Industry Minister Rokusuke Tanaka had conveyed this message unequivocally during meetings with him this week. Thorn said he welcomed this "radically changed stance" as an important element in the progress made in the past few days toward improving relations between the community and Japan. "I believe that our discussions will now be as close and as well endowed as we have with the United States," he said.

Thorn urged EEC states to respond to the new Japanese position by abandoning national deals with Japan over its exports, particularly of cars, in order to allow the commission to negotiate an EEC-level agreement in 1982. "If member states can be logical, then I am optimistic that we can succeed to this," he said.

The commission has persistently argued that spiralling Japanese exports posed industrial problems for all member states which were best confronted through a united policy. But bilateral deals between member states and Japan, most recently those concluded on cars by West Germany and Belgium, have undermined its position.

While welcoming progress made in the talks, Thorn said the EEC would have to wait until the autumn to assess the practical effect of a Japanese move to promote EEC imports. Tanaka said Thursday that the Japanese government would soon issue a statement urging companies to import more manufactured goods from the community.

Trudeau plans to visit Europe

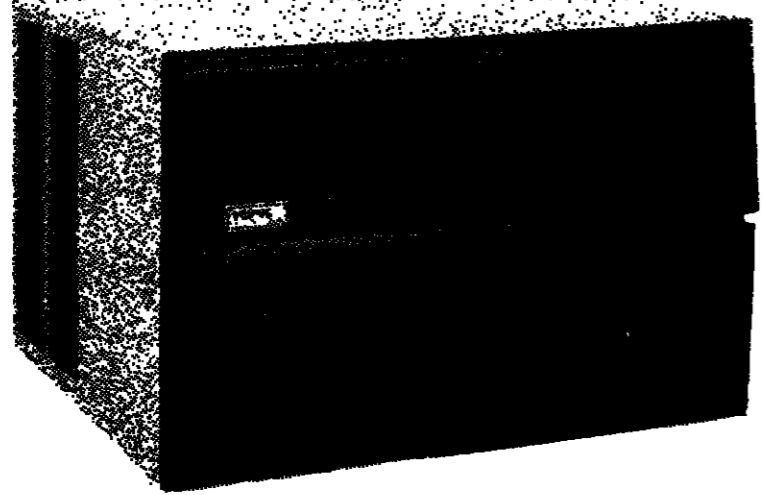
OTTAWA, June 19 (R) — Canadian Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau may visit the European capitals soon in a bid to smooth the path for a Western summit here next month, where deep divisions seem likely over world economic policy.

A spokesman for Trudeau said a European trip was being planned but was not confirmed. In Paris, a presidential spokesman said Thursday that Trudeau would meet French President Francois Mitterrand in Paris next Thursday to discuss preparation

for the summit. Diplomatic sources in Ottawa said the Canadian leader may visit London and Bonn. The prime minister said Monday that the summit, grouping the U.S., France, Britain, West Germany, Japan, Italy and Canada will be one of the most difficult so far.

The sources said the issues to be discussed on a European trip, if it went ahead, would include high U.S. interest rates, which Trudeau and several European countries notably France, have criticized because of the adverse effects on their economies.

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British money supply up 1.5%

LONDON, June 19 (AFP) — The British money supply increased sharply by 1.5 percent again last month, compared with 2.2 percent in April and only 0.6 percent in March, Bank of England statistics have showed.

But it said Thursday that the volume had been swollen exceptionally in the last two months by the effects of the civil servants strike, which affected tax receipts.

The bank said that, although such distortions became increasingly difficult to estimate, the growth of the money supply seemed since February to be in line with the officially-fixed annual target of 6 to 10 percent.

Canada to square farmers' losses

WINNIPEG, Canada, June 19 (AP) — The federal government will pay up to \$81 million to Canadian farmers for the losses they incurred because of the Soviet grain embargo.

The announcement was made Thursday by Agriculture Minister Eugene Whelan and Senator Hazen Argue, the minister responsible for the Canadian Wheat Board.

Western farmers are to receive \$68 million and farmers in eastern Canada are to receive \$13 million, the ministers said.

They also announced a \$1.2-million payment in compensation to the Canadian Olympic Association for the reduction in revenues from corporate sponsors because of the boycott of the 1980 summer Olympics in Moscow.



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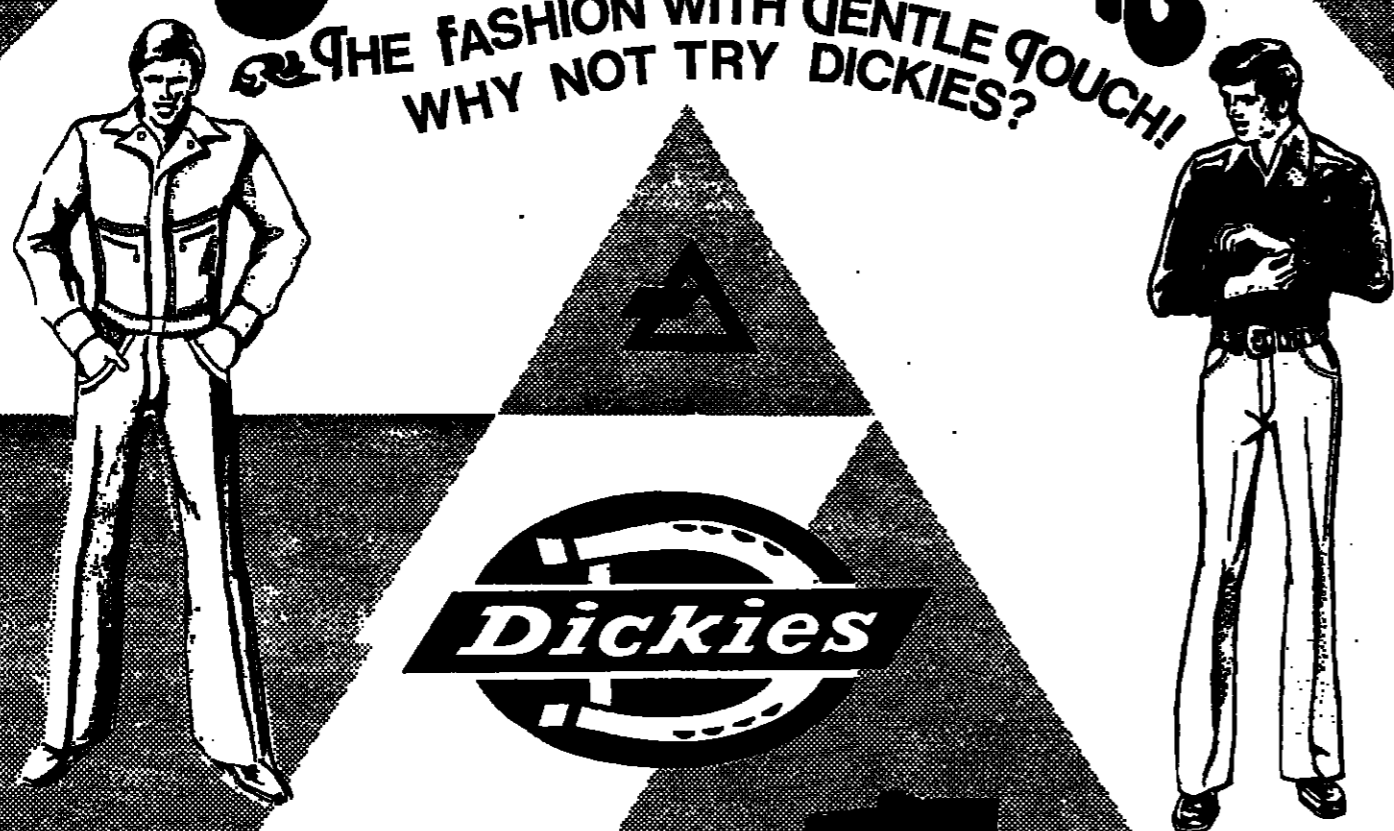
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End trade imbalance, Mauroy tells Suzuki

PARIS, June 19 (AFP) — Japanese Prime Minister Zenko Suzuki and French Premier Pierre Mauroy had two hours of "cordial but frank" talks here Friday during which the French side stressed the grave imbalance in

trade between the two countries.

Mauroy said he had told Suzuki that France could not allow such a situation to continue.

The immediate outcome of the two-hour "working breakfast" at Mauroy's official residence here — also attended by France's Finance Minister Jacques Delors — was an agreement to set up two joint committees, one to look into commercial relations and the other industrial cooperation.

Mauroy said afterward that he hoped these committees would improve Franco-Japanese dialogue and achieve rapid results. He said Delors had pointed out to the Japanese side that while it was essential to overcome the major difficulties which existed in bilateral trade it was equally important to solve similar problems in the wider European Economic Community (EEC) context. The premier said there had been a convergence of views on problems relating to world peace and security and on the way the North-South dialogue should develop.

Both premiers stressed the importance of next month's summit of the free world's leading industrialized nations in Ottawa, Canada. Mauroy emphasized the importance of contacts ahead of the summit to ensure that it was carefully prepared since "great things" were expected of the meeting. Suzuki refused to make any comment after Friday's talks. He was lunching with President Francois Mitterrand and was expected to give a press conference later.

Later, President Francois Mitterrand and Suzuki began talks at the Elysee Palace, the French presidential residence, in the presence of French External Relations Minister Claude Cheysson and External Trade Minister Michel Jobert.

Jakarta cuts oil output by 10 percent

JAKARTA, June 19 (AP) — Indonesia has cut its oil production by 10 percent starting early this month, Mines and Energy Minister Subroto has said.

He said, Thursday, the reduction in output was in accordance with a decision by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) in Geneva last month. Many OPEC members, including Kuwait and Ecuador, have already cut their oil production. Subroto said the cut would not affect Indonesia's domestic oil consumption.

Oil production in Indonesia is currently fixed at 1.64 million barrels a day, of which 1.1 million barrels is exported at an average price of \$35 a barrel. Subroto said the 10 percent cut in output is "temporary," adding that he was hopeful the oil prices would rise again at the end of the third quarter.

IDA lends Sri Lanka \$30m for dam projects

WASHINGTON, June 19 (AP) — The International Development Association announced Thursday a credit equivalent to \$30 million to Sri Lanka for a project to rehabilitate village irrigation systems in 17 districts of the country. Total cost of the project is \$43.6 million. The credit is for 50 years and bears no interest except for a 1/4 of 1 percent annual service charge.

The IDA has also granted a credit equivalent to \$6.9 million to Egypt to pay for services of consulting firms assisting in the preparation of projects within the ministries of irrigation and land reclamation.

The IDA credit is for 50 years, interest-free except for a service charge of 1/4 of 1 percent annually. The IDA is the soft-loan affiliate of the World Bank.

With interest rates up

Gold dips as dollar surges

LONDON, June 19 (R) — A sudden and unexpected rise in U.S. interest rates lifted the dollar against all major currencies Friday and drove the gold price to its lowest level this year at \$457 an ounce.

Earlier this week, U.S. interest rates had been expected to go down and the dollar plunged Monday as a result.

But Eurodollar rates, interest on dollars deposited outside the United States, opened firm Friday morning in response to tight money policies by the Federal Reserve, the U.S. central bank, as part of its war on inflation.

Currency dealers in Zurich said interest rates and the relative weakness of other currencies was keeping the dollar strong. "It's in very good shape again," one dealer commented. "It's very big, very firm due to American interest rates."

Dollar rates in Europe with Thursday's late rate in brackets, included:

2.3862 West German marks, (markets closed Thursday for holiday)

2.0805 Swiss franc (2.20705), 5.7125 French francs (5.6550), 2.6555 Dutch guilders (2.6360), 1.189.5 Italian lira (1,179.25).

The British pound slipped more than 1 cent to touch \$1.9632, compared with Thursday's 1.97825.

The dollar also was stronger against the Japanese yen, closing in Tokyo at 223.50 yen, compared with Thursday's 221.90. Bullion dealers said trading was fairly quiet in a market influenced mainly by lower prices in New York Thursday afternoon.

In Zurich, Europe's biggest bullion market, gold prices dropped \$2 a troy ounce to

\$457.50. London's five major bullion dealers recommended a gold price of \$457.75 a troy ounce, down \$1.75 from Thursday's \$459.50. Bullion dropped the equivalent of \$1.98 in Hong Kong, closing at \$459.47.

London stock market

LONDON, June 19 (R) — Share prices closed mixed after a lower opening with bargain hunting lifting shares above the day's lows, dealers said. At 1500 hours, the forward market index was down 0.5 at 540.6.

Most issues opened lower on concern over the continued high level of the U.S. interest rates, but prices turned mixed as the bargain hunting emerged, they added. Prices were generally 2p to 5p either side of last night's closing levels, they said. U.S. and Canadian issues turned lower, dealers said.

Among industrials, Bowater, Guest Keen and Hawker Siddeley were a penny to 4p lower, while Thorn, Grand Metropolitan and Unilever added a few pence. In oils BP remained depressed by Thursday's £600 million rights issue and lost 4p at 326p, while Shell recovered 4p to 346p.

OAU moots oil ban against S.Africa

NAIROBI, June 19 (AFP) — A series of measures to enforce an oil embargo against South Africa have been approved by a committee at the Organization of African Unity's foreign ministers' meeting in Nairobi.

Under the proposed measures, expected to be adopted without debate by the foreign ministers a joint OAU and Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC)

U.K. staff to escalate rolling strike

LONDON, June 19 (AP) — Britain's civil servants, locked in the 15th week of a pay dispute, voted by big majorities Thursday to step up selective strikes, but decided against an all-out two-week walkout.

Leaders of the nine civil service unions announced final tallies of 10 days of balloting among the country's 530,000 civil servants after a special meeting of the co-ordinating council of civil service unions.

Union leaders were reporting back to their executive committees later Thursday, before conferring again to draw up plans to increase their series of rolling strikes. The decision means no end in sight to the confrontation which has hit every government facility from tax offices to museums, and brings continual chaos to British airports.

The only union which voted for a total walkout was the biggest, the giant 234,000-member Civil and Public Services Association, consisting mainly of clerical workers.

committee would watch for violations of the embargo already decreed by Arab oil states.

In addition, an "end-use certificate" would be required from all oil buyers to avoid purchases acting as middlemen for South Africa, and oil tankers would be required to show their logbook each time they docked to take on crude.

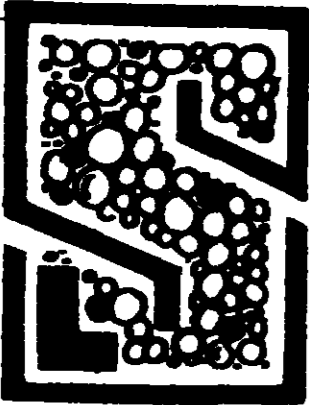
Foreign Exchange Rates

Quoted at 5:00 P.M. Thursday

	SAMA	Cash	Transfer
Bahraini Dinar	—	9.04	9.04
Belgian Franc (1,000)	89.00	111.00	—
Canadian Dollar	2.82	—	2.84
Deutsche Mark (100)	145.00	144.15	144.00
Dutch Guilder (100)	131.00	130.25	130.00
Egyptian Pound	—	4.08	4.23
Emirate Dirham (100)	—	92.00	92.70
French Franc (100)	61.00	60.90	60.50
Greek Drachma (1,000)	—	63.00	60.00
Indian Rupee (100)	—	25.00	39.85
Iranian Ryal (100)	—	8.00	—
Iraqi Dinar	—	—	—
Italian Lira (10,000)	29.00	29.70	29.10
Japanese Yen (1,000)	15.40	—	15.50
Jordanian Dinar	—	10.24	10.1550
Kuwaiti Dinar	—	12.16	12.1550
Lebanese Lira (100)	—	79.10	78.90
Moroccan Dirham (100)	—	67.00	64.20
Pakistani Rupee (100)	—	—	34.45
Philippine Peso (100)	—	—	43.40
Qatari Riyal (100)	—	6.82	6.74
Saudi Riyal (100)	6.81	6.82	6.74
Singapore Dollar (100)	—	93.00	93.60
Spanish Peseta (1,000)	—	—	159.85
Swiss Franc (100)	—	166.70	164.90
Syrian Lira (100)	—	54.00	52.10
Turkish Lira (1,000)	—	33.50	—
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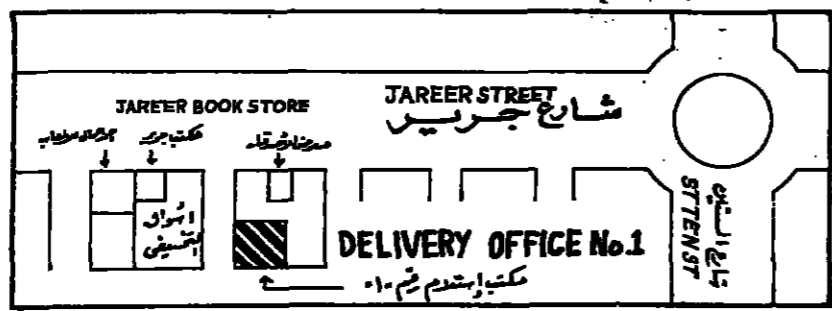
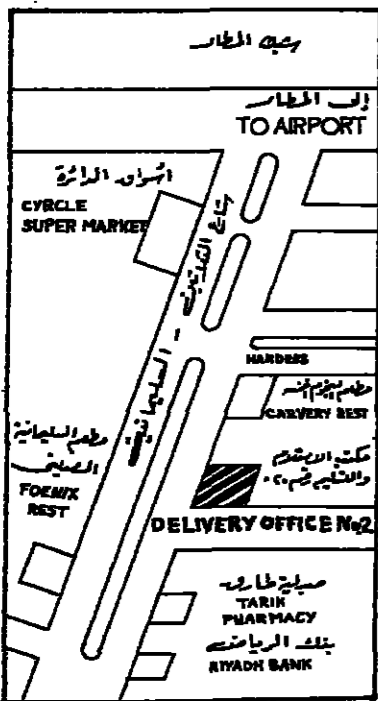
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Thorpe off to flying start in U.S. Open

ARDMORE, Pennsylvania, June 19 (AP) — Jim Thorpe, one of the few blacks on the professional golf tour, birdied the last two holes for a 4-under-par 66 and an early 1-stroke lead Thursday in the first round of the United States Open.

But Johnny Miller had a warning in the form of a history lesson. "In the open, in the first round, it's always a surprise that leads it," Miller said. "Except for last year, the fellow leading the first round hardly ever wins it."

And Thorpe, a decided longshot playing in his first American National Championship and a non-winner on the PGA tour, wasn't even sure his 6-birdie effort would stand up as the lead.

"I think somebody will shoot lower than that," said the 31-year-old Thorpe. "The golf course isn't playing that tough and there are

a lot of good players out there." But, with only a handful of the 156-man field still out on the historic Merion Golf Club course, no one had been able to match Thorpe's early effort.

Veteran J.C. Snead, in a long slump over a couple of seasons, chipped in for a birdie on the last hole to finish off a 67 that put him one shot off the lead among the early finishers.

The group at 68, 2-under-par on the 6,528-yard Merion course, included Australian David Graham, a former PGA champion, Chi Chi Rodriguez, former national amateur champion John Cook, Jack Renner and club pro Bob Ackerman, the first man off the tee.

Jack Nicklaus, the defending title-holder who is seeking a record fifth U.S. Open title, and Miller, a former U.S. and British Open champion, were among the group at 69.

Tom Watson, the Masters champion and the game's outstanding performer over the past 41-2 seasons, had an opening round of par-70 that left him four back.

Some of the golf's leading performers, players listed well among the pre-tournament favorites here, had their difficulties with the subtle demands of Merion, however.

Among them were Ray Floyd, second only to Watson on the money-winning list and a three-time winner this season, two-time U.S. Open winner Hale Irwin, Spain's Seve Ballesteros and Tom Kite, who has played so well in recent weeks.

Floyd took a fat 75 in the warm, sunny weather. Kite, seventh or better in his last seven starts, and Ballesteros had 73s. Irwin was 2-over-par at 72.

Arnold Palmer had a 77 that included a triple bogey on the final hole. Gary Player and Lee Trevino, who won the Open on this course in 1971, shot 72s.

Brighton appoints Bailey as manager

BRIGHTON, England, June 19 (AP) Brighton, an English First Division soccer team, announced Friday it had appointed Mike Bailey, boss of Charlton Athletic, as manager. Bailey replaces former England World Cup star Alan Mullery, who resigned from the Brighton job last week.

Officials of Charlton, meanwhile, were unhappy with the situation. Chairman Mike Gilkstein said he gave Brighton permission to talk to Bailey, who is under contract to Charlton, but has heard nothing since.

Charlton directors met Friday to discuss the position and said they expected Bailey to be present. But they had a message that he was not coming, and then heard the announcement from Brighton.

Teasing offer for Hagler

NEW YORK, June 19 (R) — Promoter Don King Friday offered world middleweight boxing champion Marvin Hagler of the United States \$1 million to defend his title against Mustafa Hamsho, the American-based Syrian who is the No. 1 contender.

"The date and site of the bout will be determined after the contracts are signed," King said.

Hagler, the only titleholder in any weight class recognized by both the World Boxing Council (WBC) and the World Boxing Association (WBA), topped Vito Antuofermo at the end of four rounds in his last defense on June 13.

Hamsho outpointed former world middleweight champion Alan Miller of Britain over ten rounds in a fight in Las Vegas earlier this month.



Marvin Hagler

Cruyff back with Diplomats

WASHINGTON, June 19 (AFP) — Dutch football star Johan Cruyff, after a brief stint with Levante of Spain this year, has signed back with the Washington Diplomats, a spokesman for the American Club said Thursday.

Cruyff, 34, played the 1979 and 1980 seasons with the Diplomats before his contract expired and he joined the Spanish Second Division side Levante earlier this year.

The former captain of the Dutch national team has a contract with the Washington club until the end of the NASL Championships in September. The cost of the transfer was not revealed. He will play his first return match with the Diplomats on July 1, against San Diego.

Meanwhile, goals by Aidy Parkinson, Thompson and Fran O'Brien in a shootout lifted Montreal Manic to a 3-2 victory over Tulsa Roughnecks in North American Soccer League.

With the shootout tied 2-2, Parkinson was tripped by Tulsa goalkeeper Delroy Allen and awarded a penalty kick. The Manic midfielder blasted a shot past Allen on the leftside to give Montreal its seventh triumph in 15 games.

In another match, Luis Fernando scored the lone goal to lead the Tampa Bay Rowdies to a 1-0 victory over the Toronto Blizzard. The Blizzard now have lost five matches in a row. It was the fourth goal of the season for Fernando, 26, from Brazil.

England fights back

NOTTINGHAM, England, June 19 (AP) — Australia added 18 runs in two brief spells of play Friday as rain ruined the second day of the first cricket Test against England. By the tea interval the Australians had reached 51 for four in reply to England's first innings total of 185.

The Australians were struggling at 33 for four at the close play Thursday. They managed eight runs in six overs Friday morning, and eked out another ten runs in 25 minutes of play in the afternoon.

Earlier, Graham Dilley called for a shovel and broom after just five balls of the second day. Play was held up for five minutes while three groundsmen shovelled, swept and excavated until pacesman Dilley was happy with his footholds.

The problem had been caused by Australian fast bowler Terry Alderman during his marathon first day spell. Left-hander Alan Border came out to join Trevor Chappell — Kim Hughes having been out last ball Thursday — and scored the day's first run with a glance for one off Bob Willis as Australia, 33 for four overnight, pursued England's 185.

Dilley delivered a pair of bumpers at Border, the second of which he thrashed to the cover boundary with a head high shot. The England fast bowler then decided that the footholds were not to his liking and went round the wicket.

He was clearly unhappy, but not as disgruntled as Bob Willis when captain, Ian Botham, dropped his second catch of the innings off him. Chappell edged Wilson low to second slip, Botham went down for the ball but could not hold it.

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McNamee stages fine rally

BRISTOL, England June 19 (AP) — Paul McNamee, Australian tennis star, lost an argument with tournament officials but came from behind to beat American Tim Mayotte 5-7, 6-0, 8-6 in the Lambert and Butler Grass Courts Championships at Bristol Thursday.

Mayotte, 21, who turned professional less than a week ago, won the first set and threatened to stage another upset. He defeated British Davis Cupper Buster Mottram in the previous round.

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second set without dropping a game and went on to win.

Johan Krek of South Africa eliminated Tim Gullikson, right-hander of the American twins, 7-5, 6-4. In other matches Roscoe Tanner, the big serving American, won a marathon against Phil Dent of Australia 6-7, 6-3, 13-11, and Australia's Mark Edmondson downed Russell Simpson of New Zealand 6-2, 6-0.

Meanwhile, Barbara Potter, 20-year-old unseeded American, upset Wendy Turnbull of Australia 6-4, 7-6 Thursday and became the first player to reach the semifinals of the \$125,000 BMW Women's Tennis Tournament at Eastbourne.

It was the American's third straight win over her rival. Her big serving and powerful groundstrokes were too much for the Australian.

Batsmen make hay in County

LONDON, June 19 (AP) — Viv Richards, West Indian Test cricketer, hit 107 — his first century of the English season — and helped Somerset to a big lead over Nottinghamshire in the English County Championship Thursday. Somerset declared at 380 for nine — 158 runs ahead on the first innings.

There were other fine batting performances as the sun shone on England's cricket grounds — a change from the wet weather that plagued the early weeks of the season.

Sadiq Muhammad was the day's top scorer with 203 for Gloucestershire against a touring team from Sri Lanka. Javed Miandad hit 105 for Glamorgan against Warwickshire. Mike Brearley, former England captain, made 113 for Middlesex against Essex. John Barclay was undefeated with 107 for Sussex against Northamptonshire.

Yorkshire's Richard Lumb, 100 on overnight, took his score to 145 against Derbyshire.

Blyth going strong

PLYMOUTH, England, June 19 (AFP) — Britain's Chay Blyth was cruising home for a comfortable win in the two-handed Transatlantic Yacht Race Thursday night. He is likely to reach the finish at Newport, Rhode Island, on Sunday.

The race computer calculated this afternoon that his trimaran, *Britany Ferret 28*, was 478 miles from the finish and 158 miles ahead of Canadian Mike Birch in *Tea-J-Jours*. Third place was held by the French yacht *Gauloises* and the French catamaran *ELF Aquitaine*, was reported to be lying fourth.

Blyth seems certain to finish well with the record crossing of 17 days 23 hours 12 minutes set by the American Phil Weld in last year's single-handed Transatlantic race.

BRIEFS

SEOUL, (R) — Argentine Club Racing de Cordoba qualified for the final play-offs of the President's Cup Football tournament when they drew 1-1 with defending champions South Korea in a Group 'A' preliminary match on Friday. In other matches, Japan beat Malaysia 2-0 and West Germany's Sandrocken beat Chateauroux of France 3-1.

AMSTERDAM, (R) — West Germany beat United States 4-1 in the four-nation women's hockey tournament here Thursday. In another match, the Netherlands routed England 9-2. The teams were level 2-2 at halftime.

LONDON, (AIP) — Jim Watt of Great Britain is to defend his World Boxing Council (WBC) lightweight title for the fifth time Saturday evening at Wembley against Alex Arguello of Nicaragua.

ASCOT, England, (AFP) — Lester Piggott won his tenth Gold Cup and trainer Henry Cecil his third in succession, when Ardross comfortably beat the filly "Shoot & Line" in the Stayers' Championship at Royal Ascot Thursday.

CARCASSONNE, France, (AFP) — Australian cyclist Philip Anderson held onto a three second lead to win the three-day Tour of Aude Race in southwest France after the final stage here Thursday. Riding a Peugeot, the Australian finished in 15 hours 55.2 secs, three seconds ahead of Italy's Pirelli micro Mashirelli, for his first-ever victory in stage race.

MONTERREY, Mexico, (AP) — Argentina and Yugoslavia battled to a 1-1 tie in the first game of the Jose Haveland Junior Soccer Tournament played in Monterrey Friday.

SYDNEY, (AFP) — The French Rugby Union team suffered the first defeat of its Australian tour here Friday when they were beaten by a Sydney selection 16-14.

LAAX, Switzerland, (AFP) — Swiss Erwin Lienhard won the 10th stage, 185 km from Lugano to Laax of the Swiss Cycle Tour, ahead of Dutch Joop Zoetemelk. Swiss beat Breu remained the overall leader.

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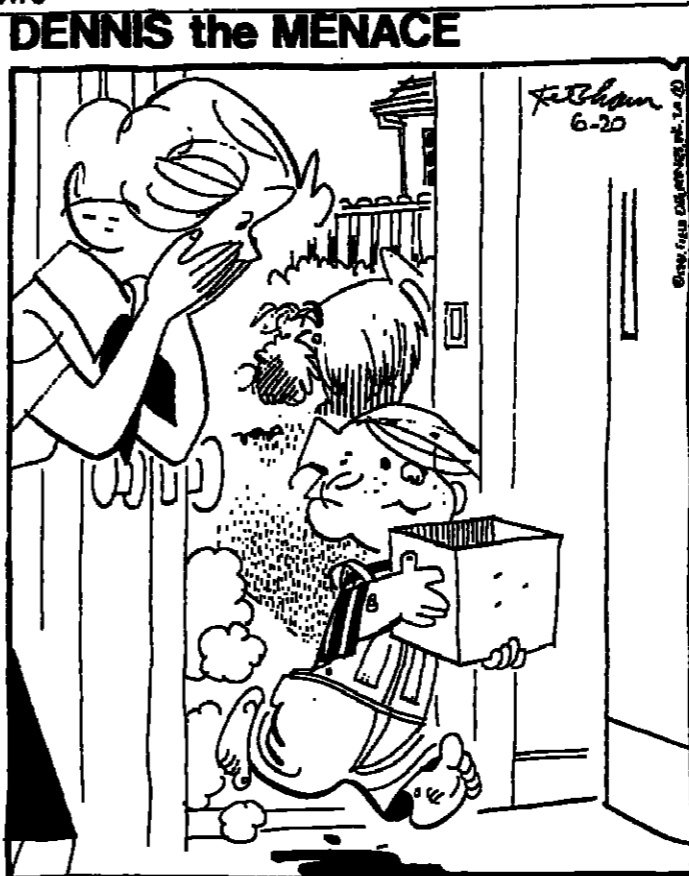
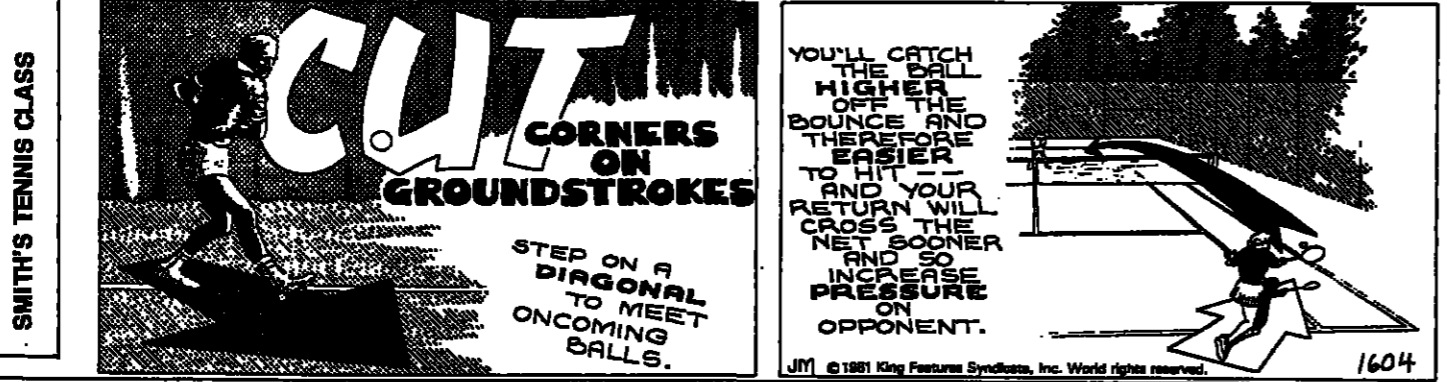
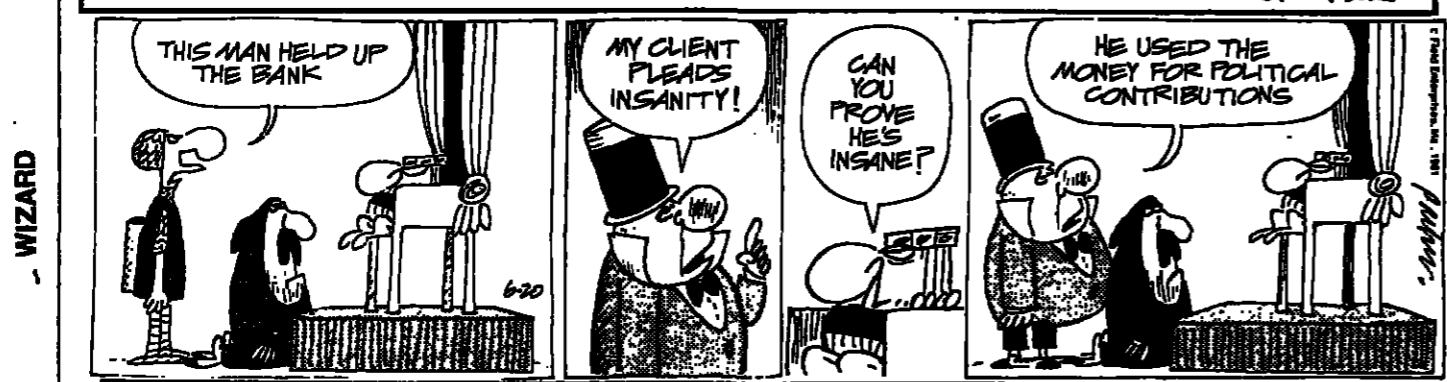
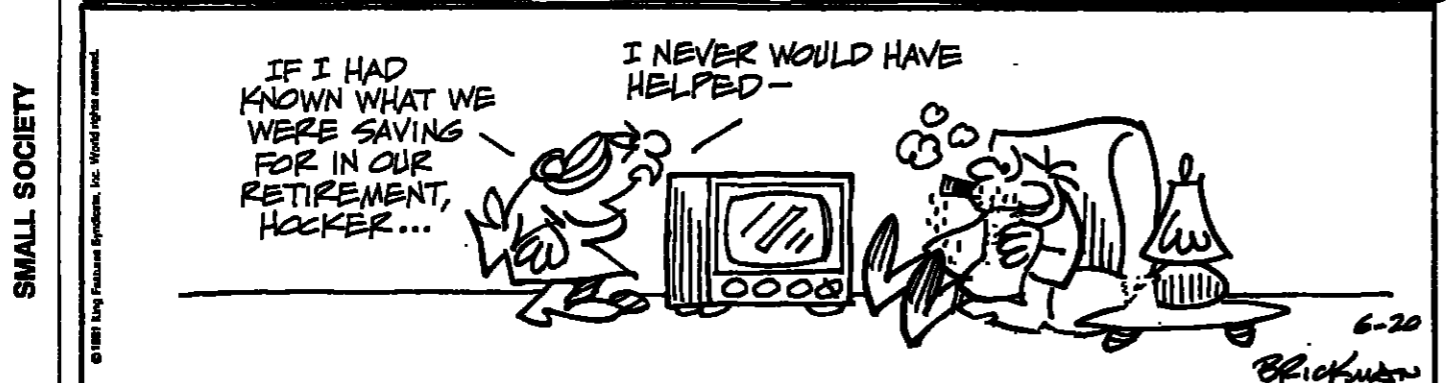
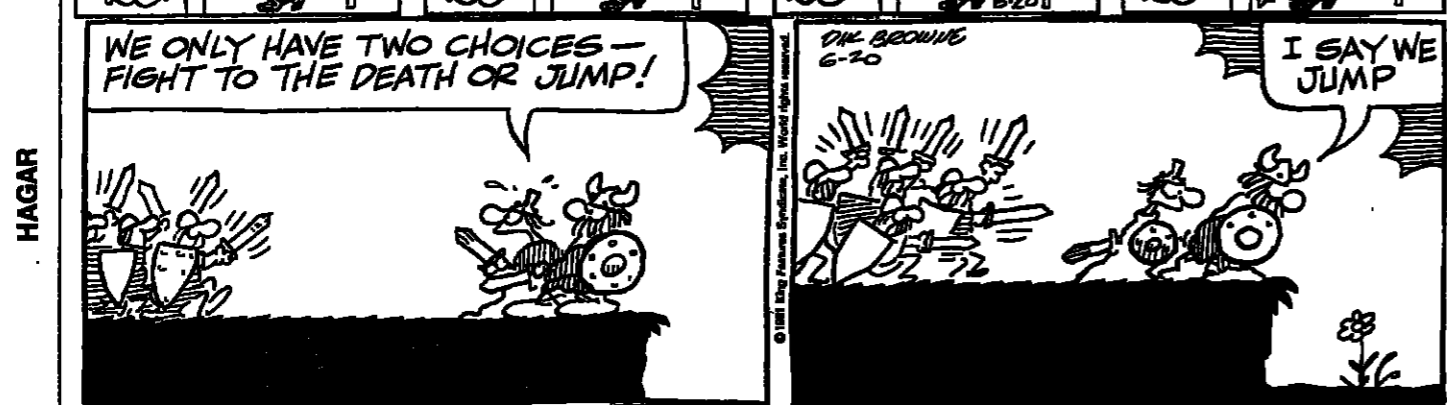
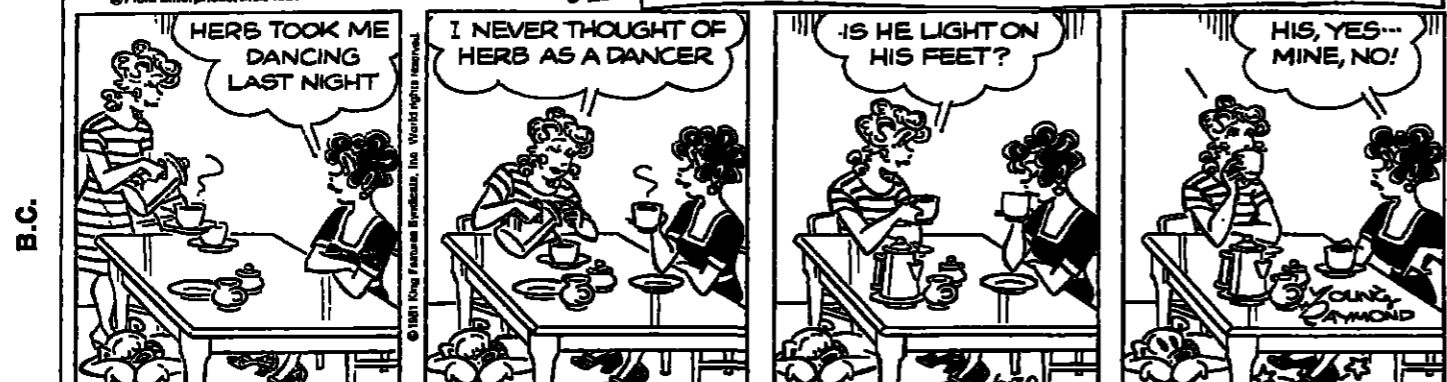
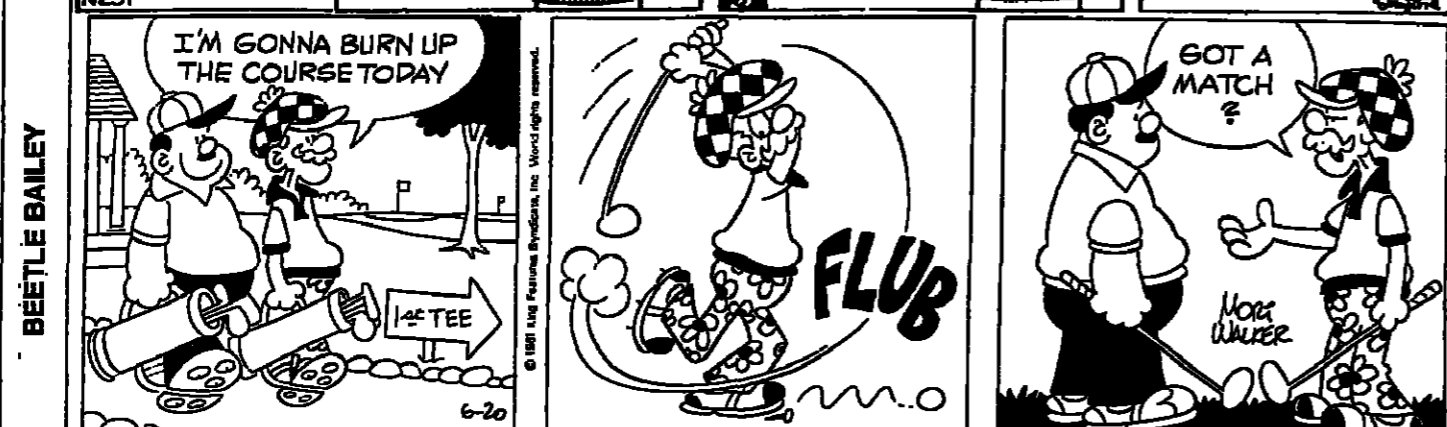
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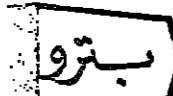
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Sonoda meets Haig

U.S. to consult allies on China arms sale

MANILA, June 19 (AP) — The administration of President Ronald Reagan did not consult with Japan or other friendly Asian nations on its decision to clear the way for arms sales to China, but it will consult with them before sales are actually made, a senior U.S. State Department official said Friday.

The official said Secretary of State Alexander Haig explained the new policy on arms sales to China to the foreign ministers of Japan, Thailand and Malaysia during meetings here Friday.

Haig also addressed a session of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) in Manila. Besides the foreign ministers of the ASEAN countries — Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore and Thailand — the meeting also was attended by representatives from Australia, Canada, Japan, New Zealand and the European Economic Community.

Haig was to leave for New Zealand Saturday for a meeting of ANZUS pact nations — Australia, New Zealand and the United States.

The Reagan administration has said on a number of occasions it will consult with its allies on matters of mutual interest. But the official, who declined to be identified, said neither Japanese Foreign Minister Sunao Sonoda, nor the others, voiced any displeasure that they were consulted on the China arms question.

"They were not informed necessarily of the change in policy, but we have been keeping in every close contact with our friends as this whole thing has developed, and the element of consultation has been very much on our minds..." the official said.

He said Haig told all three foreign ministers that the United States would "take no actions of any kind" on specific arms sales to China "without consulting with our friends or the Congress."

"There was no decision on sales," he said. "There can be no sale until we have an actual specific request from the Chinese. That is the trigger mechanism where consultations would be in order."

"I think it's very important that when the time comes, and it has not come, that there will be consultations," he added.

Haig's meeting with Sonoda was the first between the two, and they seemed to go out of their way to try to undo any embarrassment resulting from the fact that Sonoda had declined earlier to meet with Haig in Japan in what was widely interpreted as a snub.

In the presence of reporters, Sonoda told Haig that he hoped to have "a series of meetings" with him on "international problems."

He said there is a "very difficult international situation and this has an important bearing not only on Japanese-U.S. relations, but the whole world." Haig replied that he

looks forward "to the same kind of relationship," referring to Sonoda's proposal for frequent meetings.

Sonoda told Haig that U.S. pressure on Tokyo to increase military spending could jeopardize public acceptance in Japan of defense ties with Washington. Sonoda told a press briefing that he had told Haig that if too much pressure was placed on Japan to increase military spending, the result would be counterproductive.

He said the Japanese would not accept the kind of increase put forward by the Pentagon during talks between U.S. and Japanese defense experts in Honolulu earlier this month. President Reagan's administration has said repeatedly that Japan is not carrying its fair share of the defense burden for the area.

Sonoda said he told Haig that the Soviet position around the world was becoming weaker and that it was "best not to press the Russians too hard against the wall."



HOTEL RESCUE: Los Angeles fire fighter Jim Bryan, with one-year-old Elizabeth Ann Foster safely bundled in his jacket, motions for men to bring a ladder as he prepares to rescue the infant from the roof of the California Hotel Wednesday. Bryan, a veteran of the service, walked along a two-foot-wide ledge for 70 feet to save the child.

China denies, U.S. confirms secret posts

PEKING, June 19 (Agencies) — While the Chinese government Friday denied knowledge of any secret listening posts set up by the United States in China to monitor Soviet missile tests, government officials in Washington reluctantly confirmed an NBC Television report about the listening posts.

A Washington official who requested anonymity, expressed fears that the report would embarrass the Chinese government.

In Peking, a Chinese government spokesman said: "We have never heard of it." He refused further comment.

The *New York Times* and the NBC Television said this week that one or two radar posts with equipment supplied by the United States and managed by Chinese technicians had been set up in remote northwestern Xinjiang province close to the Sino-Soviet border. The aim was to monitor Soviet missile flights after a Central Intelligence Agency listening post in Iran was shut down, the reports said.

Officials in Washington said the two stations are in northwestern China and monitor missile flights between Tyuratam and the Kamchatka peninsula in the central Soviet Union. They added that the radar was not as efficient as the U.S. radar in Iran, which was lost through the Shah's overthrow.

"They are not in a position to look down the throat of the firing range," one said. "They help but they can't do the job the Iranian stations did for us." Official White House and State Department reaction meanwhile was: "No comment."

The NBC report, broadcast Wednesday, said the stations were built by the United States and operated by American-trained Chinese technicians. The network said that Sino-American intelligence collaboration stemmed from a secret agreement signed in 1979 during President Jimmy Carter's administration.

A proposal to build the stations in China was reportedly made in April 1979 to strongman Deng Xiaoping in Peking by a visiting delegation of five American senators, who included Frank Church, a leading Democrat from Idaho, and New York Republican Jacob Javits.

The *Washington Post* reported Thursday that it was Church, no longer a senator but at the time chairman of the powerful Senate Foreign Relations Committee, who sounded out Deng.

Deng, the newspaper said, posed as a condition that the stations be manned by Chinese technicians and that Peking should have access to the information obtained. The *Post* added that an increase in the exchange of intelligence information between the United States and China was one of the subjects discussed by Secretary of State Alexander Haig when he visited Peking this week.

With two satellites

European rocket fired

PARIS, June 19 (AP) — The third test launching of the European Ariane rocket was completed successfully from the Kourou Space Center in French Guyana Friday. The three-stage rocket, though basically on a test flight, put into orbit an Indian communications satellite and a European meteorological satellite, according to signals received at Kourou.

The two satellites and an instrument package designed to monitor the launcher's performance were reported by officials of the European Space Agency to be solidly on track for their orbit positions.

Immediately after the successful launch, Pierre Morel, director-general of the French National Center for Space Studies (CNES) based near Paris, said the success "demonstrates that all our work and all the technical modifications were performed after the difficulties with the second test flight worked perfectly. This is a complete vindication of the Ariane concept and it opens the way for the European commercial exploitation of space."

Morel also said the launch was a reaffirmation of European cooperation in the space effort, which had suffered a setback under a previous European agency which failed to stage a successful launch with smaller rockets. "After that failure, there was a major doubt about Europe's ability to step into the space age," Morel said. "With Thursday's launch, we have exercised that ghost from our closet."

The rocket, with which a consortium of European countries hopes to win one-third of the space satellite business over the next decade, is the third of four test missiles before it enters commercial service. The first launch Dec. 24, 1979, was a success but the second ended shortly after launch on May 28, 1980, when the third-stage rocket exploded.



ROCKET LAUNCHING: The Ariane rocket, with an Indian communications satellite and a European meteorological satellite, at the Kourou Space Center in French Guyana before it was successfully launched Friday.

The launch had been delayed by one hour 13 minutes because faults in electrical supply and in tracking radars forced holds in the countdown. First and second stage breakaways were completed successfully and the third stage was headed to put the two satellites, taking advantage of the test flight, into geostationary orbit some 23,000 miles high.

Good Morning

By Jihad Al Khazen

He was rich and spoilt. A playboy of the first order. When he got married, everyone thought he will settle down at last, taking things seriously. If anyone could control him it would be his wife.

But it didn't happen. If anything, he got even wilder. His job involved some travel, it is true, but he used this to full to get away from wife and home, to live his old life. It got so bad the wife rebelled, and demanded he take her with him.

No go, of course. So she had to chase him around, from country to country, from town to town. Soon an elaborate game of hide and seek was on. She travels to country X thinking he's there, whereupon he appears in country Y.

She grew wiser through experience. Soon she caught up with him everytime. He was in despair. But soon found the solution: A slipped disc. Or so he pretended, dropping down all their luggage then throwing himself down as well. Screaming in agony, of course.

His wife then would have to carry everything, while he limps behind her. Soon he cured her of the habit of following him around. She simply wasn't physically capable of meeting the challenge. Despair all round again, from wife and friends.

But recently I saw him — an utterly changed man: the model, homebound and home-loving husband. No more traveling around, no more fast living. As for the slipped disc, all one can say is that the wife never had to carry anything while he was around.

Why, what happened? Well, they were expecting their first child, and that changed everything as far as he was concerned. Moral: Two's a partnership, three a family.

Translated from Ashraq Al Awam

Spadolini preparing to form 5-party coalition

ROME, June 19 (R) — Republican Party leader Giovanni Spadolini prepared Friday to become the first non-Christian Democratic prime minister in the 35-year history of the Italian Republic after telling President Sandro Pertini he was able to form a new government.

Parliamentary sources said Spadolini could present his new cabinet to Pertini by the middle of next week. His coalition was expected to comprise the Republicans, Christian Democrats, Socialists, Social Democrats and Liberals. He has already received the nominal support of his potential coalition partners and will put the final touches to his program in talks with them Monday.

The problem to be resolved then is the distribution of ministerial posts, which could be affected by the results of local and regional elections Sunday in which about nine million Italians will be voting.

The 55-year-old Republican leader got his



Prime Minister-designate Giovanni Spadolini

chance to try to form the country's 41st government since World War II after Christian Democratic Prime Minister Arnaldo Forlani's government collapsed over a secret Masonic lodge scandal.

Spadolini said his platform would be based on cleaning up public life, strengthening the fight against terrorism and reinforcing Italy's links with its Western allies. "There is an urgent priority to shed light on the whole P2 affair," he said, referring to last month's revelation that more than 900 prominent Italians were listed as members of a secret Masonic organization whose grand master, Licio Gelli, is wanted for espionage.

The Christian Democrats, who have 262 seats in the 630-seat lower house of parliament to only 16 for the Republicans, gave their backing to Spadolini but indicated that they expected to be represented as a "determining force" in the new government.

Warsaw Pact states rap Poland

VIENNA, June 19 (AP) — Warsaw Pact members Bulgaria and Czechoslovakia Friday made new attacks on developments in Poland, warning that unrest there threatened the rest of the Soviet bloc.

A commentary by the Bulgarian news agency BTA warned that Poland had been too soft on anti-Soviet dissidents who were trying to tear Poland "away from the family of Socialist nations."

Czechoslovakia's Communist Party newspaper *Rude Pravo* said the West was expecting unrest in Poland to spread to other Soviet

bloc countries. "The question is not only to counter anti-Soviet acts in Poland but to counter them immediately," BTA said.

"Now more than ever, inaction toward acts of anti-Sovietism is equal to encouragement to the enemies of socialism," it said. The Soviet Union has complained about the defacing of Soviet war memorials in Poland, indicating such vandalism shows the extent of anti-Communist political activity there.

Rude Pravo said the West expected in 1968 that political change in Czechoslovakia would spread to other East bloc countries.

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a projected treaty against radioactive weapons should include a provision banning attacks on peaceful atomic installations.

Enrique Ros of Argentina said the Israeli raid demonstrated the failure of the agreement under which states accepted international controls in an effort to curb the spread of nuclear arms. Iraq had accepted the Non-Proliferation Treaty.

In Damascus an Arab nuclear conference called Friday for international inspection of Israel's nuclear installations where Arab states believe, atomic weapons are produced. The call was made in a statement issued at the end of the four-day conference, the first of its kind.

The statement called on the U.N. to set up a committee with the help of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) to inspect Israeli nuclear installations and "expose their aggressive nature."

The conference called for all firm supplying Israeli nuclear installations to be blacklisted. The Arab League has a Boycott Office which blacklists firm trading with Israel. The final statement urged cooperation among Arab countries aimed at acquiring nuclear technology and exploiting it for peaceful purposes, especially for generating electricity.

The conference established a committee from the Arab Fund for Economic and Social Development, the Organization of Arab Petroleum Exporting Countries (OAPEC) and the Arab Organization for Mineral Resources to help Arab countries planning to set up nuclear power stations.

It called on phosphate-producing Arab countries to study prospects for extracting uranium contained in phosphate deposits. The conference decided to meet every three years and formed a follow-up committee

headed by the Syrian and United Arab Emirates electricity ministers, Omar Yousef and Hamd Nasser al-Oweiss.

In Beirut The Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) has expressed satisfaction with statements by French President Francois Mitterrand in favor of a sovereign Palestinian state, and condemnation for the Israeli raid against Iraq.

Muhammad Labadi, the PLO spokesman here, said Mitterrand's statement on a sovereign state was important, "as this is the first time one has spoken openly of a state for the Palestinians."

In Nairobi, The Organization of African Unity (OAU) Friday urged the U.S. administration to halt arms sales to Israel. The OAU's 50-nation ministerial council said the supply of American arms to Israel "only encourages Zionism to carry on more acts of aggression aimed at expansionism and runs counter to the pursuit of universal peace and security."

The council's resolution has the second in two days criticizing Reagan administration policies and appeared to be part of a rising tide of anti-American sentiment among African foreign ministers preparing for next week's OAU summit.

In Washington, The American Association of Arab University Graduates (AAUG) has joined other Arab-American organizations in condemning Israel's bombing of the Iraqi center and has called for a complete embargo of American arms to Israel.

Calling the temporary suspension of the delivery of four F-16 fighter bombers "not adequate," the association's president said an arms cutoff of Israel is necessary to restore some credibility to U.S. Middle East policy and to "stem the tide toward war."

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